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Parent Application No.: 09/225,904

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Parent Inventors: David Sidransky and Stephen B. Baylin

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Presented for filing is a new Continuation patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of:

Applicants: **David Sidransky and Stephen B. Baylin**

Title: **METHOD FOR DETECTION OF NEOPLASTIC CELLS**

The prior application is assigned of record to **THE JOHNS HOPKINS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on October 16, 1995, at Reel 7678, Frame 0671.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	81
Pages of Claims	1
Pages of Abstract	1
Pages of Declaration (from Parent)	2
Sheets of Drawing	11

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This request includes Three (3) sheets and the following:

- Preliminary Amendment (8 pages);
- Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
 - Forms PTO-1449 (filed in parent application) (2 pages);
 - Forms PTO-892 (filed in parent application) (2 pages);
- Request for Transfer of Computer Readable Form (2 pages);
- Sequence Listing (5 pages);
- Copy of One (1) Month Petition for Extension of Time from Parent (2 pages);
- Check No. 543662 in the amount of \$750.00; and
- Return Receipt Postcard.

Under 35 USC § 120, this application is a **continuation** application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/225,904 filed January 5, 1999, now pending; which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/497,535 filed June 30, 1995, now issued as U.S. patent 5,856,094; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/439,962 filed May 12, 1995, now issued as U.S. patent 5,767,258. The disclosure of each of the prior applications is considered part of and is incorporated by reference in the disclosure of this application.

Applicants claim **LARGE ENTITY** status in the above-identified application.

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If this application is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (858) 677-1456.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this application by returning the enclosed postcard.


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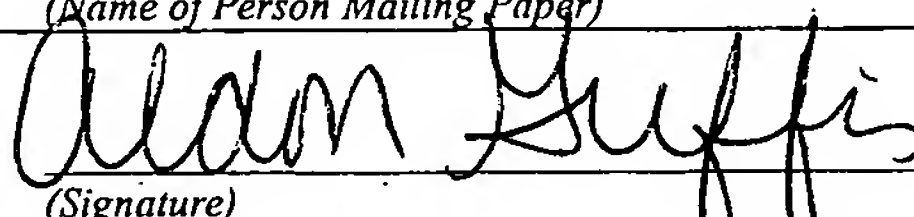
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing an Appeal Brief or other responsive paper due August 10, 2003.

The requested extension is for One (1) Month, extending the period for response from August 10, 2003 to September 10, 2003.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
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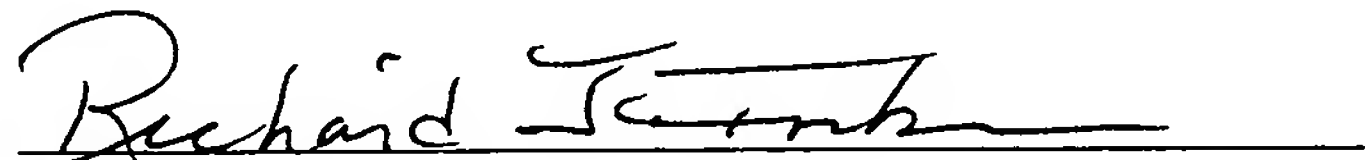
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